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## Supervisor's bid to rescind vaccine mandate fails in VBT

By Rosemary K. Oztman  
Independent Editor

Van Buren Township police union president Adam Byrd said many employees have been threatened by email to be fired if they do not get the COVID-19 vaccine. And when they leave, the workforce will be reduced and public safety will suffer, he said.



Officer Byrd addressed the VBT Board of Trustees via zoom during the public comment part of the agenda on July 20, saying he had to bring this matter before the board because it will be a change in work environment and should have been discussed with the union.

He was addressing an item placed on the agenda by Supervisor Kevin McNamara to consider rescinding the vaccination mandate for employees.

Byrd said 20% will be leaving the workforce and not be replaced. He said

VBT is the only municipal government in Michigan doing this. He asked them to reconsider their June 15 vote that required all employees to be vaccinated.

Byrd said their vote requires a non-FDA-approved substance to be injected into the bloodstreams, with the threat of being terminated or disciplined if they refuse.

Police Officer Mark Abdilla, president of the fire fighters' union, also spoke on the board's willingness to terminate employees who don't get the shots.

Officer Abdilla said the employees who do not already have the shots are not going to get them and the township will lose good candidates, who will easily get jobs elsewhere. He reminded them that departments everywhere are seeking employees.

Abdilla said the board is requiring they put the needle in their arm and inject a substance for which there is no idea on the long-term effect. He said he is vaccinated, but others are not. The fire department mandates masks for unvaccinated employees which is less intrusive. He said the township is requiring a needle in the

arm or move on elsewhere.

He said the township is not going to push people to get the shots and he asked them to reconsider their mandate.

He said they will lose employees and the money spent training them. He said it ranges from "probationaries" to those here for 10 to 15 years.

A third union president expected to speak did not show up.

Supervisor Kevin McNamara had put on that night's agenda consideration of a revote on the mandatory COVID-19 shots and at the beginning of the meeting Trustee Reggie Miller said the board had already voted on that and it shouldn't be on the agenda.

Supervisor McNamara said under Robert's Rules of Order he can ask for a revote if he had voted in the majority and changed his mind, which he did.

"I did not see it coming," McNamara said of the response. He said before the

June 15 vote he was moved by Trustee Sherry Frazier's reasoning, using schools requiring shots for many years for entry as an example.

But, he said, schools don't require teachers to be vaccinated and the present shots required for students have been tested and used for years.

"Local governments should follow state and federal guidelines" and they do not require shots for employees, he said. "I stepped out of line," he said referring to his previous vote in favor.

He said the vaccines are not fully approved by the federal government and only allowed as an emergency measure. The federal or state or county governments do not require shots. They do mandate wearing a mask if not vaccinated, he said.

The Michigan Township Association said they don't know of any other township that made that mandate and the Conference of Western Wayne doesn't know of any either, he said.

"I have a real problem with firing people

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## Union files class-action grievance against VBT over mandate

By Rosemary K. Oztman  
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The day after the township board voted to keep its COVID-19 vaccine mandate in place for all employees, the Van Buren Township Patrol and Dispatchers chapter of the Police Officer Labor Council union filed a class-action grievance against the township.

Union president Adam Byrd said he had alerted all the Detroit news channels that VBT is the only municipality in the State of Michigan mandating COVID vaccines for all employees. Channel 4 came to the township immediately to interview Officer Byrd for a report, which led off the six o'clock news on July 22. Channel 2 also had a report, along with a story in *The*

*Detroit News*.

Byrd said the proposal should have been negotiated with the unions over the terms and conditions of an employment change. He said this creates an Unfair Labor Practice.

The five-page grievance, dated July 21, lists three violations to the union contract.

Byrd said the grievance is about choice and the rights of people to decide what they put in their bodies.

He said this affects the security of VBT as good officers will leave the organization and it will be difficult to replace them. He said it would be hard to get people to come to work at a place that requires vaccines that have not been approved by the FDA.

Then, the board member comment that

booster shots could be mandated as well, adds another layer to the challenge, he said. The board members are taking the advice of those with no medical experience, Byrd said.

Byrd said he agrees with Trustee Kevin Martin who said the mandate takes away the rights of the individual.

Byrd said eight members of his union are not vaccinated and he is not sure about the fire department.

He said the board action is confusing, since Supervisor Kevin McNamara said he won't fire anyone, with the caveat, "unless the board tells him to." Supervisor McNamara repeated that during the Channel 4 and 2 interviews and said he would work to find a compromise.

Byrd said the emails sent out June 16, after the original June 15 mandate vote, from Human Resources Director Nicole Sumpter said this was a mandate and if any employee does not comply that person would be placed on a two-week suspension

and subsequently terminated.

On June 21, Byrd and fire union president Marc Abdilla met with the three, full-time elected officials. It was agreed there would be an extension of the deadline for this mandate for 90 days. However, on June 22, Director Sumpter sent another email that stipulated the deadline for the mandatory vaccination had been extended to Aug. 16 (60 days) and that the termination of employment for non-compliance had been removed.

The VBT board's work/study session has been scheduled for July 19. It is an opportunity for anyone to discuss matters that are going to be at the board meeting the following day as a preliminary approach to mitigate issues, Byrd said.

The July 20 board agenda carried an item for "Discussion on, and to consider a re-vote of Mandatory COVID-19 Vaccinations for Township Employees." On June 14 and July 19, the work studies

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## VBT mandate

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for not being vaccinated,” McNamara said. “The federal and state and county are not firing people for this ... I have a real problem for firing people for this.”

Clerk Leon Wright acknowledged that he was the one who made the motion on the mandate and he said he explained then why he thinks so highly of the move. He said people at the township reach out to help the public and they should be vaccinated.

“We are serving people... I don’t want to terminate anyone either,” Clerk Wright said. He said the board’s decision gives employees the alternative to get the shot.

“Sometimes you have to make a hard decision ... I have to make a hard decision,” he said. He said people walk into the township and he doesn’t want to send an employee out to help the people, with him knowing the employee isn’t vaccinated.

Wright said many people had to die in the last pandemic in 1918-19 because there were no vaccines. He said the Delta variant is coming back and they can’t make the choice not to take the vaccine.

Wright said he and Trustee Kevin Martin are the only veterans on the board. He said he joined the U.S. Air Force to serve his country. He didn’t have to. He wanted to, he said. He said dozens of vaccines jumped into his arm and he didn’t know what they were.

“I hope we make the right decision to serve the public and coworkers ... and help employees get the shots,” Wright said.

“I will not fire anybody unless you tell me to,” McNamara stated to the board.

“If this stays, there has to be an alternative,” Wright said.

“I won’t fire for this,” McNamara repeated.

Trustee Sherry Frazier said nobody asked her if she wanted the shots she needed to be a teacher. She said nobody gave her a choice.

“Sometimes it’s for the greater good, or we wouldn’t be here today,” she said. “You’re jeopardizing your coworkers.”

McNamara said there are unvaccinated state police and other police officers and they wear masks when serving the public. He said the last vote mandated vaccinations but didn’t tell him what to do if they refuse.

Trustee Martin said that’s why he asked at the time what the response would be if they didn’t get the shots.

“You were wise,” McNamara said.

Martin said to Wright that being in the military is different. “Do it or get booted out.” He said the FDA has not approved the shots and he doesn’t want the government telling him what to do with his body.

He said where he works there are 1,100 people and they wear masks if not vaccinated.

“I voted no, against it,” Martin said of the mandate. “A., because there is no plan for no compliance and B. to require an experimental drug is wrong. I don’t think you should fire anyone and it shouldn’t be mandated.”

Treasurer Sharry Budd said the Michigan Townships Association just came out with a recommendation that it is OK to demand vaccinations.

“I don’t know why police officers don’t want them,” Treasurer Budd said. “They should want to protect the public.” She said the Human Resources Director extended the compliance time to 90 days. She said even when all the employees were wearing masks, police officers without masks came into the building.

“My heart says this is the right thing to do,” Budd said.

McNamara said it is not just the police and fire, but employees in numerous areas, including dispatch, water, and other areas are refusing the vaccine. He said the Van Buren Public Schools have not mandated vaccines for students or staff.

Wright said there are no long-term effects from taking the vaccine and this is versus catching COVID. He said it’s a health and welfare decision and there will be a more serious problem “if we can’t get to herd immunity...”

Martin said he was wary of taking it at first and then talked to medical people and decided to take the shot.

“We should let people have the right to choose,” Martin said, adding General Motors requires self-reporting and there’s a list to refer to to make sure they are reporting accurately.

McNamara asked the board: “Are you going to mandate vaccines and if so, what is the response if they refuse?”

Trustee Miller said she called Martin after the vote and said she might not have voted in favor if she considered his side. She said she listened to everyone who contacted her after the vote and she said the mandate is protecting the safety of the workforce from a direct threat.

Miller said federal law allows employers to require COVID vaccinations and the MTA said “yes, you can.” She asked where the policy was on this, adding it is so important not to just throw things on the agenda. Then she paused and said “throw” had a bad connotation and she should say “place on the agenda” without a policy.

She said 20% of the police workforce is ready to walk off the job.

“I’m for mandatory vaccinations, but we need a policy. Clear, concise direction,” she said.

“I’m against vaccinations,” began Trustee Don Boynton. He said while he was running around the City of Detroit with a .38 on his hip, hepatitis first came out – A&B – and he was one of the last ones to get vaccinated. “I took my choice

not to get it,” he said. “I had a choice to either stop being a police officer or to get a vaccine.”

Trustee Boynton said he is a Type 2 diabetic, very hypertensive, and a heart patient. He said he has three or four other conditions to make it difficult to survive a COVID infection.

“I made the choice to live to survive this disease,” Boynton said. “As far as vaccines for all the other flus out there? Those vaccinations, no.” He said his wife is a member of the health community and she had to take flu shots ten years ago or she wouldn’t attain what she has since.

“It’s imperative we take care of our employees and residents of this township and that is our job,” Boynton said. “Make decisions to accomplish that.”

As to repercussions, Boynton said there are standard operating procedures for employees about being given a directive on what to do. It’s clear in the standard operating procedures, he said.

McNamara repeated, “I am not firing anybody unless this board tells me to.”

Miller recommended taking it off the agenda and discussing the policy.

McNamara pulled back his motion and Martin, who seconded it, agreed to pull back his second.

“We have a mandate on the table,” Martin said. “What about that?”

“They didn’t tell me what to do,” McNamara said.

“Insubordination,” Martin said. “If you take this off the table, it’s still a mandate.”

Human Resources Director Nicole Sumpter joined the discussion by zoom and said she had listened to everyone’s statements.

“There is a mandate still out there,” she said. “You haven’t rescinded the original mandate.” She said she pushed out the deadline to Aug. 16.

Martin made a motion to rescind the previous mandate until this board can develop a policy to address it.

Wright said Martin couldn’t make the

motion because of Robert’s Rules and McNamara agreed that it would have to be made by someone voting in the majority of the original motion.

“If there’s no compliance, you have to do something,” Martin said.

Wright said the three full-time administrators agreed and sent out the mandate and can give an extension until the board met again.

Miller said booster shots haven’t been addressed yet and whether they should mandate further shots.

“If the three full-time want to revise language on the policy, I’m OK with that,” Miller said, asking when they decide they won’t be vaccinated when would termination occur?

McNamara suggested repealing the mandated vaccine policy and replacing it with what full-time electives would come up with, with board input and approval.

“We have a board policy: insubordination,” Wright said.

Budd suggested leaving the policy in place since it’s extended into August and in the meantime look at the policy and make a choice.

“I may not be at the next meeting,” McNamara said.

Sumpter said they have a policy if they are not vaccinated. She said language would be in place for the next board meeting.

“What happens if they are not vaccinated? The motion was withdrawn,” Budd said of McNamara’s motion.

McNamara said the three full-times will set a time line and they can extend it. He said he has a strong feeling it cannot be done by the next meeting and he may not be there.

Budd made a motion to leave the mandate right where it is and have the three full-time administrators put a policy in place. Frazier seconded the motion and Budd added that the understanding is that they’ve extended the deadline by 90 days and they will make a policy to determine punishment.

Martin was the only one voting no.

## Grievance

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were cancelled.

“These cancellations suppressed our ability as a union to have a discussion with the entire board of trustees prior to the board meeting,” Byrd wrote in the grievance.

Byrd pointed out that on June 17, just two days after the board’s first vote to tighten up the rules in VBT, the state loosened up its rules, announcing it was reopening and rescinding nine mandatory rules because the COVID-19 cases had gone down considerably.

Byrd said if this mandate is kept in place,

other departments could use Van Buren Township as a standard in the State of Michigan and security could be endangered for multiple agencies.

He said 20% of the members in his union, including some who are vaccinated, have indicated an interest in this issue and some say they will let the township fire them.

The current deadline to get the shot is Aug. 16.

### Another union grievance

A VBT police patrol officer, with one year to retirement, also has filed a grievance against the township. He had COVID in January, which he got on the job, and was paid for his time off to recover.

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# OPINIONS

## Editorial

### Should VBT board mandate shots for all employees?

Although it is believed that Van Buren Township is the only municipality in the state of Michigan to mandate COVID-19 vaccinations for its employees, throughout the country and the world cities are issuing similar mandates. According to reports, vaccination mandates have been levied in France, Italy, and Australia, as well as in New York and California. Governmental restrictions are rising again as COVID-19 variants enter the picture.

But, should a governmental unit make its employees take vaccinations that are not fully approved by the FDA? Should it threaten their jobs, their pensions, and their health? While some say it doesn't hurt you to get a COVID-19 shot, it does hurt some people. And, the rare but fatal blood clots have killed. We have local unsubstantiated stories of that happening.

The police officers in VBT who had contracted COVID on the job are still required to get the shots or be fired for insubordination. What is that about?

And, now cases are being reported of vaccinated people contracting COVID, as well. So, the emergency vaccines don't solve the problem. Taking away employees' freedom of choice and giving them a fear of what will be required next is not the way to keep loyal employees.

The township board needs to pull back on its threats. Some employees will not be bullied into following the board's will. Mandate masks if you want to mandate.

## EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

...By Rosemary K. Otzman

When I delivered newspapers along the Main Street businesses in Belleville last Thursday, several pointed out to me that there was a big, armed guard outside the Chase Bank. They say he just leans against the building and talks on his cell phone all day. The bank had been closed on Monday and Tuesday and then it reopened on Wednesday with the guard.

When I got to Chase with my deliveries, I asked about the guard and if people going by on Main Street should be afraid of some danger at the bank. They said they were safe and not to worry. I asked if the guard was going to stay forever and was assured he wouldn't.

The employees said Chase told them not to talk about it. On Monday, a man with an account at the bank and with lifelong bipolar disorder had a meltdown. He was taken to the hospital by ambulance for evaluation and still was under hospital treatment at last check. The bank employees probably are afraid he will get out and come back.

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A shopper at Ace Hardware in Sumpter Township on July 21 sent me a cell phone shot of a notice that had been placed on the store bulletin board. It reads: "REWARD. Lost Supervisor. Answers to the name of Tim. If you have any information as to his whereabouts, please call the Missing Persons Hotline 943-734-3230. (Where he be).

We have gotten complaints at the *Independent* that the Sumpter Township supervisor seldom is seen at township hall and his deputy is running the township.

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I had my yearly wellness visit to my



doctor planned for last Friday afternoon. When I got to the office in Canton I was told she was in labor and had to reschedule. I'll go back in October, when she comes back to work. Good thing I'm not sick.

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Alberto Gutierrez of Martinsville Road received a letter that he thought was a scam, so he shared it with us on Monday. The handwriting was hard to read in some places, but it looks like the writer might be "Anne" with a New Boston post office box.

The letter was an invitation to watch a program on faith that you can watch at your convenience and will be watched by people worldwide. The address is [jw.org>aboutus>conventions](http://jw.org/aboutus/conventions). I went to the site and found it was from the Jehovah Witnesses and was a legitimate invitation.

My son also had received a handwritten letter like that from someone he didn't know and the writer explained since the Jehovah Witnesses aren't going door to door during COVID-19, they were contacting people by mail and offering online programs.

This time the suspected scam is not a scam after all.

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State Rep. Ranjeev Puri, from Michigan's 21<sup>st</sup> District that covers Belleville and most of Van Buren Township, will have an in-person coffee hour from noon until 1 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 23, at the Belleville Area District Library. This is the first time he's used the new library as a meeting place

and he should have a good turnout. Bring your concerns about Michigan laws to his attention.

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Circle Thursday, Aug. 19, on your calendar. That's the afternoon that starts off with the Belleville Bridge Walk at 5:30 p.m., proceeds to the Taste of Belleville at High Street and Horizon Park at 6 p.m. and then concludes with the free Holly & the Johnnies concert at the park at 7 p.m. Another big night in the city.

The city of Belleville is planning to invite county workers who helped construct the new Belleville Bridge in 1995 to take part in the Bridge Walk.

The Central Business Community is rounding up restaurants, ice cream shops, and other food for the Taste, which had to be postponed last year because of COVID.

The Belleville Area Council for the Arts has been presenting the free Music Lakeside concerts each Thursday since June 24 this summer and the Aug. 19 concert is the last of the season.

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Next week is Wayne County Fair week at the fairgrounds on Quirk Road north of the I-94 freeway in Van Buren Township. This year's fair is loaded with activities for all ages.



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**Letters****Praise for Belleville, Van Buren Police**

To the editor:

It has been a week since our son was hospitalized for erratic and delusional behavior due to a medication issue. We got an early-morning call from the Belleville Police Department saying he was incoherent in a place of business and they were concerned for him.

Our hearts stopped as we listened to the officer. My husband after he explained our son's condition rushed to where he and the police were. The officers, a gentleman and a lady were keeping our son calm and away from the employees and others who were disturbed by his behavior. They called an ambulance for our son to transport him to the hospital and he has been in treatment at the hospital since.

I want to thank the two officers (to whom I apologize for not knowing their names) and their leadership for the professionalism and kindness they exhibited while keeping the public and our son safe. As particularly families who have a child with a brain chemical imbalance (mental illness) are aware it is a huge issue right now in our country. There aren't enough care facilities or practitioners to handle the ever-growing population suffering from depression, mania and other biological mental disorders. We too often see the results on the news of officers that do not have the training or exhibit the professionalism my husband witnessed from these officers.

Since mental health illnesses are often "incurable" but treatable we have over the years had experience with the Van Buren Township police on occasion. Again, we have witnessed professional and caring officers, caring for a person that is much more in danger of being harmed by others than harming others. I just want to note this to people that fear (based on some badly trained, scared or otherwise impaired police officers) is understandable but not what I have personally witnessed in our community.

To me this is one of the huge benefits of living in a community that has care and respect for all its citizens. It is a great area to live in and we are so glad we settled here years ago. We recommend it for many reasons to others. It is a great place to raise a family.

I ask that my name be withheld to protect our son, his wife and small daughter's privacy. Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Sincerely,  
 Van Buren Township resident

**Don't bring dogs out to hot local events**

To the editor:

People, People ... PLEASE, **Please don't** bring your dogs, or any pets, to the local events. I observed several dogs at a recent evening event and they were all panting so hard. It was 90 degrees out at 6 p.m. One dog looked like he had some age behind him which is even worse.

I know some people have service dogs, but these poor souls had no signs or indication they might be service dogs.

Those who choose to bring their pets might not realize the asphalt and cement are *very* hot on the bottom of their paws. Plus, the dogs are low to the ground and the temperature is even hotter radiating from the street and sidewalks. Humans wear protective shoes and feel a breeze once in a while.

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Begging everyone,  
 Kathryn Wood



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# Obituaries



Michael Barry Williams,  
Sr.

## MICHAEL BARRY WILLIAMS, SR.

(January 13, 1952 - July 14, 2021)  
Michael Barry Williams, Sr., born in Detroit, MI January 13, 1952, made his transition July 14 after battling a long illness. He is better known as Mike.

Mike is survived by his loving wife Sabrina Richardson-Williams; two sons, Michael Jr. (mother Vickie Pearson, wife Rachel) Detroit, MI and Dorian Daemont Williams (mother Janeice Hampton), Royal Oak, MI; sister Terri Jones (Ronald), Pelham, AL; brother Gregory Williams, Birmingham, AL. His parents Calvin Williams and Ann Carolyn Winston Turner preceded him in death.

Mike graduated from Pershing High School, Detroit, MI in 1970 and completed vocational training for stationary engineering (HVAC). He worked briefly for General Motors Hydramatic. Most of his career he worked for Wayne County / Detroit Metro Airport Authority in HVAC from which he retired 2014 with 32 years of service.

Mike enjoyed fishing and boating. He made a commercial for Detroit Fox 2 Weather Authority using his tag line "Boating is a lifestyle, not a hobby."

A private family memorial will be held later.

## COVID-19 deaths in 48111 climb to 76, positive tests at 3,530

The number of people who have died from COVID-19 in the 48111 zip code rose by one to 76 as of Monday, July 26, according to the Wayne County Health Department.

The positive tests for COVID-19 in 48111 totaled 3,530 on Monday, July 26, up from 3,517 the previous Monday, July 19.

On Monday, July 26, the separate totals released by the Wayne County Health Department for the tri-community were: Van Buren Township, 2,366 positive cases, 42 deaths; city of Belleville, 495 positive cases, 21 deaths; and Sumpter Township 669 positive cases, 13 deaths.

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## Obituaries



Terry Lee Calhoun

### TERRY LEE CALHOUN

(April 10, 1963 - July 17, 2021)

Terry Lee Calhoun, age 58, of Sumpter Township, MI, passed away peacefully in his sleep on Saturday, July 17, 2021. He was born April 10, 1963, in Superior Township, MI, son of Mack Tankerson & Juanita (Smith) Calhoun. Terry graduated from Belleville High School and went on to Schoolcraft Community College and earned his Associate Degree. He was a Systems Analyst for Canon Printing for many years of loyal service. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, Waltz, MI. He loved the outdoors: riding four-wheelers, having bonfires and was an avid runner. He loved driving everywhere. Terry was a true family man with a wonderful sense of humor. He loved his family and hosting family events. He cherished every moment with his grandkids. Most of all, Terry wanted to make the world a better place. Every day he would perform some act of kindness to make someone's day better and loved making people laugh.

Terry is survived by his wife of nearly 21 years Lori Ann (Bieszk) Calhoun; four children: Tara Mae (Matt) Minton of Fenton, MI, Monica Anne (Adam) Schwartz of Tucson, AZ, Danielle Marie (Eric) Joye of Belleville, MI, and Bryan Joseph Ensck of Belleville, MI; three siblings: Linda Jean (Rodney) Adkins, of Napoleon, MI, Randy Mack (Kimberly) Calhoun of Magnolia, TX, and Peggy Lynn Roberts of Jackson, MI; seven grandchildren: Jackson, Greyson, Gabriella, Sophia, Joseph, Isabella, and Alexander; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family members and many friends. He was predeceased by his brother-in-law, Walter "Rob" Roberts, and his parents.

Visitation for Terry was Wednesday, July 21, 2021, from 4-8 p.m. and Thursday, July 22, 2021, from 10-11 a.m. The funeral service was held at 11 am on Thursday, July 22, 2021, at David C. Brown Funeral Home, with Pastor Jeffrey Wade officiating.

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### JAMES CLIFFORD KENDRICK

(April 4, 1961 - July 24, 2021)

Age 60, of Van Buren Township. Served in the U.S. Navy. Survived by son Jeff of Virginia; two grandsons; brother Scott; sisters Tammy and Terri, special friend and caregiver Anne Reyes. David C. Brown Funeral Home.

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### DANIEL J. EATON

(March 3, 1931 - July 10, 2021)

Daniel J. Eaton, age 90, of Sumpter Township, passed away Saturday, July 10, 2021 at his home. He was born on March 3, 1931 in Lyons, Michigan, the son of Joseph and Lucille (Rice) Eaton.

On January 22, 1954, he married Helen McTaggart in Ann Arbor and following 65 loving years of marriage, she preceded him in death May 22, 2019.

Daniel was a member of Mt. Calvary Baptist Church in Belleville. He worked for the State of Michigan in building maintenance for 32 years.

He was a loving husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather and will be deeply missed.

Daniel is survived by his sons Duane (Bethany) Eaton, Roger Eaton, Bruce Eaton and Paul (Debby) Eaton.

In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers.

Gravesides services were held July 21, 2021 at Oakwood Cemetery in Saline, Michigan. Arrangements by Stark Funeral Professionals.



Mary Jane Robinson

### MARY JANE ROBINSON

(July 5, 1929 - July 24, 2021)

Mary Jane Robinson, age 92, long-time Van Buren Township resident, passed away Saturday, July 24, 2021, at her home, surrounded by family. She was born July 5, 1929, in Beal City, MI, daughter of Joseph & Frances Elizabeth (Bauer) Zuker. She was the second of eleven children in the family. She attended Beal City High School and was a member of the class of 1947. Mary soon married Mack Lloyd Robinson and enjoyed traveling with him in the Army for several years.

She was a member of St. Anthony Catholic Church, Belleville, MI. She was a Girl Scout Leader and a Cub Scout Leader for many years. She enjoyed cooking, gardening, traveling, and going out to eat. Most of all her family was everything to her! She was a natural caregiver, to Mack and her mother for several years as well. She was the very best mom in the world!

Mary is survived by four children: Larry (Cecilia) Robinson of Whitmore Lake, MI, Pam Smith of Beaverton, MI, Debbie (Dave) McFall of Cement City, MI, and Laurie Robinson of Belleville, MI; four grandchildren: Ralph Robinson of Fort Worth, Texas, Aaron (Mary) Ely of Fort Worth, Texas, Ryan Ely of Belleville, MI, and Sean Robinson of Canton, MI; 6 great-grandchildren, one great-great-granddaughter-Avalon; six siblings: Bette Mueller of Lansing, MI, Theresa (Bruce) Phillips of Lowell, MI, Ina Tiffany of Grand Rapids, MI, Jim (Geri) Zuker of Sumner, MI, Lee (Pam) Zuker of Ithaca, MI, and Mike (Nancy) Zuker of Florida; also numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Mrs. Robinson was preceded in death by her parents; husband of nearly 60 years, Mack, in 2007; brother Edward Zuker; also three sisters: Eileen Quinlan, Connie McChesney, and Virginia Keller.

A private celebration will be held. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Heartland Hospice and would be appreciated.

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# VBT LDFA to mark 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of 9/11, honor first responders

By Rosemary K. Oztman  
Independent Editor

Saturday, Sept. 11, will be the day of a special event at Grace Lake Corporate Center to honor the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of 9/11 – and also honor those who have been first responders, health care workers and offered other services during the COVID-19 pandemic.

At the 35-minute zoom meeting of the Van Buren Township Local Development Finance Authority on July 13, LDFA second vice chairman John Delaney told of his plans for the event.

Delaney said he is still recruiting

sponsors for the event and learned that the LDFA can't accept donations because of its law suit against Visteon. So, any donations would go to Van Buren Township and they would be put in a special account for the 9/11 event.

He said the event will not only be for what happened in New York, but for the COVID-19 response, including fire departments, police departments, Huron Valley Ambulance, Schoolcraft College, health care workers and other groups.

He said Supervisor Kevin McNamara was on vacation, so Delaney didn't know what time it will be held on that Saturday.

Delaney said the first 9/11 memorial event was held three years ago. At that time Delaney put together a memorial that brought police and fire and their equipment to Grace Lake, plus a sign facing I-275 announcing the memorial.

He said this year's memorial could be a recruitment event, as well, for VBT, Belleville, and Sumpter Township, along with neighbors Romulus, Wayne, Canton, and Ypsilanti Township, since police and fire employees are hard to find.

Delaney said there also has been talk of possible fireworks.

LDFA chairman Michael Dotson said the LDFA is looking for ways to improve the awareness of Grace Lake and they've had positive discussions with Sovereign Partners, the present owners of the business campus.

Dotson said Delaney is spearheading the 911 event.

"If we're marketing the site, why doesn't the LDFA donate?" asked LDFA member

Doug Peters.

"We have no money," Delaney said and Dotson added the law suit is involved.

Peters said since the event will be on a Saturday, maybe they could add a car show, which is a very popular event.

LDFA member Chuck Covington said he agrees with what Delaney is doing. He said his wife is a nurse with a master's degree and she set up testing at Baylor University. He said besides his wife, his mother was

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## Grievance

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Then, in May, he experienced a darkness across his eye and he was put into the hospital for two days and underwent many tests. There was a suggestion it could have been a mini-stroke. His eye doctor found no blood clot. He was put on a 30-day heart monitor, which was taken off just before the township board put the mandate in place.

He told the *Independent* after the township "came out of left field" with its shot mandate, his wife, who works as an emergency room nurse, recommended he hold off with the shot and wear a mask.

"I didn't want to get the vaccine," he said. "I already had COVID and the state is open because of less and less cases. With one year to retirement, I decided not to get it."

He said the original notice from Human Resources Director Sumpter said he would be terminated if he didn't get the shot.

"I don't want to jeopardize my retirement," he said, adding most doctors will not give you an excuse because of the liability they would get. And, he said he did not have a religious exemption.

"I pride myself on my record ... I got the shot that Sunday and they paid me the time it took to get it." He said he was sick on Monday and Tuesday and couldn't work because of the horrible headaches and dizzy spells. He said he felt like he had the

flu.

"I felt wonderful until I got that shot," he said.

He said after two days off sick he had Wednesday and Thursday off because of his job schedule and returned to work on Friday, even though he still had headaches and dizzy spells. He was not paid for the sick days and was told by Sumpter to use his sick time.

That's what he has grieved: That he was forced to get the shot that made him sick and the township won't pay for his two sick days caused by that shot. The grievance was denied and is now on Step 2 of the procedure.

He said he asked if he could go to the township's work doctor and he said Sumpter said to go to his own doctor. He said if he sprained his ankle on the job, he gets paid as a work-related injury and this is also a work-related injury.

He said his headaches and vertigo persist to this day and he was scheduled to get his second shot on Sunday.

The 53-year-old police officer has been on the job for 23 years and started out as an Explorer Scout when he was 13 years old. He served in the Marine Corps and said he lives in the township and is 100% committed to the township's safety. His wife retired after 20 years as a VBT paid per call fire fighter.

"I'm very frustrated with the township," he said.

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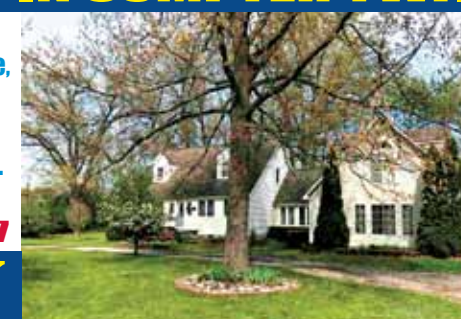
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## Belleville Police investigate Frosty Boy break-in, burglary

On Monday morning, July 26, at approximately 2 a.m., a white male that was wearing a hoodie, surgical-type mask, gloves, and was carrying a backpack, used a hammer to shatter the south side glass door and entered the Frosty Boy building at 67 Main St. in Belleville.

Police Chief Dave Robinson said the suspect stole some cash from the cash drawers, along with a small box containing a small amount of cash. He also stole two tip jars for the employees.

Chief Robinson said his department was in the process of securing video evidence. Anyone with information is asked to contact the Belleville Police Department.

Also on Sunday night, there was a rash of larcenies from unlocked vehicles in the Belle Villa community, Chief Robinson said. Nothing of significant value was reported stolen, so far, he said Monday morning.

Witnesses stated that the suspects are three black males, Chief Robinson said.

All city residents are reminded to never leave items of value in parked and unattended vehicles and to make sure they lock their vehicles when not in use, Chief Robinson said.



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## VBT police investigate double homicide at Lake Villa Drive apartments

Van Buren Township Police responded to the 46000 block of Lake Villa Drive within the Belleville Pointe Apartment Complex late Sunday evening, July 25, on a report of a possible homicide.

Upon arriving, officers discovered a mother and daughter, ages 45 and 14, deceased within the apartment suffering from multiple injuries.

Police are currently investigating the scene with assistance from the Michigan State Police Forensic Unit.

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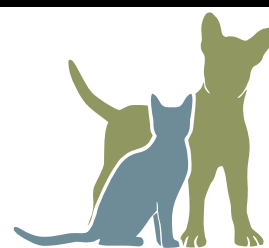
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## Steve Jones files for city council, Amy Henry files as write-in candidate

On Monday, Belleville City Manager/Police Chief Dave Robinson announced that Steve Jones, 371 Church St., presented the required number of verified petition signatures as of the 4 p.m., July 20 deadline, to run for a city council seat.

Chief Robinson said Jones presented the required affidavit of identification and so his filing was forwarded to the Wayne County Clerk's office on Monday for placement on the Nov. 2 ballot.

No others filed, Chief Robinson said.

Amy Henry, 45 Potter Dr., submitted a write-in candidate declaration of intent on Monday, July 26, and her declaration was forwarded to Wayne County on Monday. Her name will not be on the ballot.

Two seats that expire in December 2021 were open in this election. They currently are held by Tom Fielder and Jesse Marcotte, who did not file for reelection.

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## VB Civic Fund closes down with major grant for community center

The Van Buren Civic Fund is committing its remaining funds to a major grant towards the new Van Buren Township Community Center. The fund balance of close to \$1 million will be used to construct a teen center, an outdoor event space and an indoor play area for youngsters at the center.

Van Buren Civic Fund was launched in 2004 with a generous donation of \$1 million from Visteon Corporation as it moved to new headquarters in Van Buren Township. The purpose of the Civic Fund has been to support projects and endeavors that reduce the burden of providing VBT municipal services and enhance the quality of life for township residents.

For the past 16 years the Civic Fund supported high quality municipal services and capital improvements throughout VBT. Created as a 501(c)3 charitable organization, the Civic Fund invested Visteon's contribution, raised additional support from businesses and donors and awarded 70 project grants totaling more than \$ 925,000.

The Civic Fund has been governed by a Board of Directors made up of township citizens and business representatives plus representation from Visteon and the VBT board. Supervisor Cindy King served as the first local government representative, followed by Treasurer Sharry Budd.

Craig Atchinson, current president of the Van Buren Civic Fund, said, "The Civic Fund considers community needs, and seeks to make a positive, lasting difference in VBT. Closing out VBCF with this major grant to the Van Buren's new Community Center invests in quality of life for our residents now and in the future."

Among the local government endeavors and community organizations awarded VBCF grants are Van Buren Township Police and Fire, Parks and Recreation, Clerk's Office, Senior Center, and Belleville Area Museum and Archives. Grants have been awarded to Van Buren Public Schools, also Van Buren Soccer and Van Buren Area Little League, Belleville Lacrosse Athletic Association, Belleville Area Council for the Arts, Belleville Area District Library, and Friends of Michigan Animal Rescue.

Some major VBCF-funded projects include:

- Splash Pad, \$200,000;
- Emergency sirens, \$116,700;
- Police dive trailer \$24,800, motorcycle \$ 23,950, car video system \$20,700;
- Fire safety training "Smoke House," \$12,000; defibrillators, gas detectors and ballistic vests, \$31,400;
- Parks and Recreation Quirk Park bleacher seating, fencing and dugouts, \$25,800; emergency call boxes \$27,000; pickleball court amenities, \$16,000;
- Cemetery wrought iron fencing, \$26,000;
- Museum archival equipment and storage, \$18,700; exhibit materials \$13,400;
- Election computers, storage, and supplies, \$28,150;
- Seniors' 16-passenger van, \$23,700; appliances and exercise equipment, \$15,400; and
- Van Buren Public Schools technology and robotics \$27,000; sports equipment, \$25,000; lighted school zone signs, \$22,300.

The Van Buren Civic Fund gratefully thanks Visteon and many generous contributors over the years. Their valued support has had a lasting impact for Van Buren Township government, residents, and local organizations, Atchinson said.

*News release*

## Belleville library card can get you into Metro Park without charge

Belleville Area District Library Director Mary Jo Suchy announced at the July 13 library board meeting that people can now use their library cards to visit the Metroparks without charge.

And, that includes the Lower Huron Metropark in Van Buren Township.

The Metroparks joined the Michigan Activity Pass program on May 1, which allows library cardholders to check out free passes or discounted offers to 437 parks, cultural and historical venues, children's activities and other destinations throughout the state.

There were more than 200 Metroparks pass checkouts in the first month, which allow the library cardholder to get into the Metropark of their choosing without paying the \$10 daily entry fee. The pass must be used within seven days. The highest monthly number of checkouts in the program, 113, was at Belle Isle in Detroit in July 2019.

The Metroparks system has 13 locations scattered in five counties. Taxpayers in those counties pay a millage for the Metoparks, but visitors have to pay a daily vehicle fee or buy an annual pass to enter the parks.

For a list of participating libraries and destinations, log on to michiganactivitypass.info .

Search destinations by category or ZIP code, including how far you want to travel. Select your choice and home library and the free pass can be for mobile use or printed off and presented at the destination, organizers said.

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a nurse.

“I was born on Sept. 11 in New York,” Covington added, garbling the year he was born to keep his age secret.

“Some of us really appreciate what first responders do,” he said.

“We can’t have the LDFA name on anything as long as we’re involved in the law suit,” Delaney said.

Dotson said it will be a wonderful day and they can have a recruitment table there from the college and maybe a car show.

“There’s plenty of room,” Delaney agreed, noting he is planning for fire, police and EMS equipment and the University of Michigan helicopter for a short while.

Peters said the car show might attract more people than the other things.

Dotson said they will need to add a birthday cake to the plans, so they can mark Covington’s birth.

Peters asked if he will invite the press and Delaney said he expected the *Independent* and he will invite *Mlive* and the Detroit media, as well.

In other business at the meeting, the LDFA:

- Heard Delaney ask about the Ecorse Road corridor and Aerotropolis. Dan Power, director of planning and economic development, said he would send Delaney the Willow Run Master Plan presentation that includes information on the corridor to and from the airport that was shared by the airport with the township board recently.

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## City of Belleville Public Notice



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David Robinson  
City Manager/Police Chief

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August 5, 2021

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## Upcoming Meetings

- Monday, Aug. 2 – Van Buren Township work/study session at 4 p.m. Also, Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, Aug. 3 – Van Buren Township regular meeting at 6 p.m.
- Monday, Aug. 9 – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m.

- Tuesday, Aug. 10 – Van Buren Township Recreation Committee, 5:30 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township workshop and regular meeting, 6 p.m. Also, Van Buren Township Board of Zoning Appeals, 7 p.m. Also, Belleville Area District Library Board, 7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, Aug. 11 – Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, Aug. 12 – Keystone Academy

School Board, 6 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township Planning Commission, quarterly meeting, 7 p.m. Also, Belleville Planning Commission, 7 p.m.

- Monday, Aug. 16 – Van Buren Township work/study session at 4 p.m. Also, Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, Aug. 17 – Van Buren Township

regular meeting at 6 p.m. Also, Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.

- Wednesday, Aug. 18 – Belleville Downtown Development Authority, 5:30 p.m. Also, Van Buren Township Environmental Commission, 7 p.m.
- Monday, Aug. 23 – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m.

## Van Buren Public Schools Public Notice

### VAN BUREN PUBLIC SCHOOLS ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

Van Buren Public Schools will receive sealed bid proposals until **2:00 p.m. on August 13, 2021**, for **Security Services**. Bids will be opened and publicly read aloud immediately following the deadline for submission. Van Buren Public Schools will not consider or accept a bid received after the date and time specified for the bid submission.

Bid documents may be viewed and downloaded at:  
<https://5il.co/w1ls>

Any questions, contact Sara Cortese at [scortese@vanburenschools.net](mailto:scortese@vanburenschools.net) or Abdul Madyun at [amadyun@vanburenschools.net](mailto:amadyun@vanburenschools.net).

Publish: July 29, 2021

## Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES JULY 20, 2021 ELECTRONICALLY VIA ZOOM

Supervisor McNamara called the meeting to order electronically via Zoom meeting ID: 975 8586 8343 at 6:00 p.m. Present: Supervisor McNamara, Clerk Wright, Treasurer Budd, Trustee Boynton, Trustee Frazier, Trustee Martin, and Trustee Miller. Others participating, facilitating and monitoring the meeting: Representatives from Frank Rewold & Sons, Representatives from Plante Moran Cresa, Representatives from Plante Moran, Secretary Montgomery, Community Service Director Renaud, Deputy Supervisor Selman, Human Resource Director Sumpter, Planning and Economic Development Director Power, Public Services Department Director Best, Water and Sewer Director Taylor, Communication Specialists Albrecht and Nichols and maximum audience of thirty-four (34).

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF THE AGENDA:** Supervisor McNamara outlined the items appearing on the agenda and requested the addition of a presentation by Frank Rewold & Sons for Construction Manager Services for the Community Center. Trustee Miller requested switching New Business item #2 to New Business item #5 and vice versa.

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:** Frazier moved; Budd seconded to approve the agenda as amended switching New Business item #2 to New Business item #5 and vice versa. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Wright, Budd, Boynton, Frazier, Martin and Miller. Motion Carried.

**ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA:** Miller moved, Frazier seconded to approve the Consent Agenda: Board Meeting Minutes of July 6, 2021; Prepaid List of July 8, 2021; Prepaid List of July 15, 2021; Voucher List of July 20, 2021; Adoption of the Michigan Township Association Principals of Governance; Approval of Resolution 2021-16 affirming approval of The Senior Alliance Annual Implementation Plan for Aging Services; and Approval of Resolution 2021-17 and Amendment No. 1 to the 2019-2020 IGA with Wayne County Parks. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Wright, Budd, Boynton, Frazier, Martin, and Miller. Motion Carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None.

**C O R R E S P O N D E N C E / ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS:** Presentation of the 2020 Financial Audits by Plante Moran, Presentation by Frank Rewold & Sons for Construction Manager Services for the Community Center, Van Buren Township Recreation Department will host Movie in the Park (Finding Nemo) on Friday July 30<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m. (Movie starts at 9:30 p.m.) this is a free event open to all ages with activities and craft for the kids. King Edward Subs and an ice cream food truck will be on site during the movie.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (Unfinished and**

**New Business):** Resident commented on how much he supports improved lighting in Van Buren Park, Van Buren Township Police Officers Labor Council (POLC) representatives encouraged the Board to reconsider the vote on mandatory vaccinations for Township employees and to vote no.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Budd moved, Miller seconded to approve the 2020 Plante Moran Financial Audits. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Wright, Budd, Boynton, Frazier, Martin, and Miller. Motion Carried. Budd moved, Frazier seconded to approve the selection of Davenport Brothers Construction for the Belleville Area Museum Connector Project and approval of an amendment to the FY 2021 Building and Grounds Budget. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Wright, Budd, Boynton, Frazier, and Martin. Nays: Miller. Motion Carried.

Miller moved, Wright seconded to approve the DTE Community Lighting contract for Van Buren Park in the amount of \$34,000. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Wright, Budd, Boynton, Frazier, Martin, and Miller. Motion Carried.

Wright moved, Frazier seconded to approve Fishbeck Contract Services for Emergency Response Plan. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Wright, Budd, Boynton, Frazier, Martin, and Miller. Motion Carried.

McNamara moved, Martin seconded to rescind the previous approved motion made June 15, 2021 to mandate Covid-19 Vaccinations for all Township Employees. Motion withdrawn.

McNamara moved, Martin seconded to rescind the previous approved motion made June 15, 2021 to mandate Covid-19 Vaccinations for all Township Employees until the Board can develop a policy to address repercussion of noncompliance. Motion Withdrawn.

Budd moved, Frazier seconded to leave in place the previous motion of June 15, 2021 to mandate all Township employees be vaccinated for Covid-19 with the understanding that a 90-day extension was put in place and that the Board will develop a policy to assist employees in getting vaccinated and addresses noncompliance.

**REPORTS:** The following reports were provided to the Board: Budgetary Report of January 2021, Budgetary Report of February 2021, Budgetary Report of March 2021 and Budgetary Report of April 2021. The reports are available for review at the Clerk's office.

**PUBLIC COMMENT NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** Resident requested that something be done about the old abandoned bank on Haggerty Rd. adjacent to the Trilogy apartments.

**BOARD COMMENT NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**

**ADJOURNMENT:** Boynton moved; Miller seconded to adjourn at 8:44 p.m. Motion Carried.

Leon Wright, Township Clerk  
Kevin McNamara, Supervisor  
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## City of Belleville Public Notice

### POLICE VEHICLE AUCTION

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY THE UNDERSIGNED THAT ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2021 at 10 A.M., at J&T Towing, 287 Industrial Park Drive, Belleville, County of Wayne, Michigan, a public sale of the following vehicle(s) will be held:**

**2007 JEEP, LIBERTY, VIN: 1J4GL58KX7W501939**

**DATE: JULY 26, 2021 BELLEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT  
6 MAIN STREET  
PUBLISH: JULY 29, 2021 BELLEVILLE, MICHIGAN 48111**

**BY BRIANA HOOTMAN,  
INTERIM SUPPORT FOR CITY CLERK**

## Public Notice

Crown Castle is proposing to install a 129-foot monopole telecommunications tower at the following site: 6148 Middlebelt Road, Romulus, Wayne County, MI 48174 Lat: 42-15-49.5 N, Long: 83-19-50.5 W. There is no proposed lighting or marking on the tower. Any interested party that believes the proposed action may have a significant impact on the environment may file a Request for Environmental Review (Request) to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). Such Request may only raise environmental concerns. Information regarding the project may be found under file number A1197552 on the FCC website [www.fcc.gov/asr/applications](http://www.fcc.gov/asr/applications). The Request must be filed with the FCC within 30 days of the notice being posted on the FCC website. The FCC strongly encourages that all Requests be filed electronically at [www.fcc.gov/asr/environmentalrequest](http://www.fcc.gov/asr/environmentalrequest). Requests may also be mailed to: FCC Requests for Environmental Review, 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW, Washington, DC 20554, ATTN: Ramon Williams. The Request must also be served upon Crown Castle by mailing a copy to 2000 Corporate Drive, Canonsburg, PA 15317 ATTN: Legal Department.

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## Minding Your Business with Bob Mytych



The Wayne County Fair returns to the fairgrounds on Quirk Road next week for its 75<sup>th</sup> installment featuring traditional family favorites such as farm animal exhibits, shows, and competitions, crafts and vendors, food trucks, a carnival, and

track events, including a demo derby, ATV racing, and much more. Mark Rosenthal's Animal Magic will perform three, free shows starting Aug. 5 at 1 p.m., then Aug. 6 at noon and 3 p.m. Ghostbusters Detroit is coming Aug. 7 from noon until 4 p.m. and Cirque Amongus, an interactive circus will be there on Aug. 3 for free shows at 11 a.m. 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. The carnival will run Tuesday through Saturday. Visit their website for details and for the daily schedule at [www.waynecountyfairgrounds.net](http://www.waynecountyfairgrounds.net).



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Yankee Air Museum at Willow Run Airport will be holding a Behind the Scenes event on Aug. 21, with four sessions beginning at 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., and 1:30 p.m. If you ever wanted to know what goes on behind closed doors of the museum's daily operations, here's your chance. Tickets are \$15 per person and limited to 12 guests per tour session, which will last about two hours. Tickets are available online at [www.yankeeairmuseum.org](http://www.yankeeairmuseum.org). Call (734) 483-4030. With the Blue Angels being added to both morning shows at Thunder Over Michigan in two weeks, organizers announced that an A-10 Warhog Demo has been added to both afternoon shows to go with the Thunderbirds. Tickets for the drive-in only weekend consists of four shows (two each day) and are available on the website. My brother Ed and his son David are in Oshkosh, Wisconsin this week for the Airventure festivities and air shows and on Monday they posted a video and pics onboard a B-17 Flying Fortress. Going through the many stills, I shouted hey, they're riding inside our very own Yankee Lady, our hometown B-17 that flies out YAF members every year to Wisconsin and to other destinations every summer. Cool. My nephew said they sat in the gunner's seat and in comments, said "Uncle Bob, you cannot imagine what it was like to sit here back in the day, what an experience." From there, they're stopping in Chicago on

Thursday to visit my sister before heading back home to Pennsylvania. My brother is a recently retired Boeing executive and airplane junkie. Runs in the family.

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"Rainforest Explorers" is the titled theme for summer camp coming up Aug. 11-13 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in New Boston. The free camp will take place from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. each evening. Call (734) 753-9048.

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Music Lakeside returns tonight at Horizon Park, from 7 to 9 p.m. featuring the Twistin' Tarantulas. Visit [www.musiclakeside.com](http://www.musiclakeside.com). In case of rain, the concert will relocate inside the Belleville First United Methodist Church across the street. The concert is free.

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The Van Buren Public School district is holding a job fair with on-the-spot interviews at the high school on Tuesday, Aug. 3, from 3 to 7 p.m. Job openings include transportation, teaching, custodial, and more.

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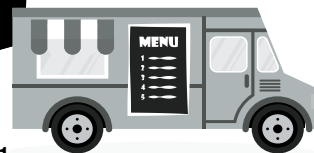
The Belleville DDA's First Wednesday Food Truck Rally is next Wednesday, Aug. 4 from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Fourth Street Square featuring live music by the Paxton Spangler Band, and food trucks Smokey Joe's BBQ, Shimmy Shack (Comfort Food), Sabor Latino (Latin), and Treat Dreams (ice cream). Rain date is Aug. 11. See their ad in today's paper.

## Belleville DDA First Wednesday

# Food Truck Rally



Rain Date  
Is August 11



**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4<sup>TH</sup>**  
**6 P.M. – 9 P.M.**  
**@ 4<sup>TH</sup> STREET SQUARE**

### FEATURING:

**Smokey Joe's BBQ**

**Shimmy Shack**  
*Comfort Food*

**Sabor Latino**  
*Latin*

**Treat Dreams**  
*Ice Cream*

### LIVE ENTERTAINMENT ON THE STAGE:

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Van Buren Township  
Police Dispatch Log

There were 245 dispatch calls reported by Van Buren Township police last week including the following.

**Sunday, July 18:**  
0231 – juvenile complaint, Belleville Rd./S. I-94 Service Dr.  
0241 – suspicious person/vehicle, Haggerty Rd. / E. Huron River Dr.  
0600 – noise complaint, Richard Run Dr.  
0859 – suspicious person/vehicle, Winchester St.  
1109 – property damage accident, E. Huron River  
1211 – animal complaint, Ayres Ave.  
1218 – suspicious person/vehicle, Beacon Trl.  
1251 – suicidal person, Belleville Rd.  
1426 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.  
1436 – traffic offense, Coolidge St./Barkley St.  
1457 – motorist assist, Belleville Rd./E. I-94  
1535 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.  
1739 – trespassing, Brandi Dr.  
1753 – property damage accident, Tyler/Haggerty  
1800 – assist other dept., Brandi Dr.  
1929 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.  
1941 – family trouble, Parkwood Dr.  
2114 – trespassing, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
2258 – shooting, N. I-94 Service Dr.  
**Monday, July 19:**  
0233 – mental subject, Oak Ln.  
0334 – shooting, Belleville Rd.  
0359 – domestic, Parkwood Dr.  
0509 – 911 welfare check, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
0848 – domestic, N. I-94 Service Dr.  
0923 – parking complaint, Bentley Dr.  
1204 – hospice death, Riggs Rd.  
1205 – animal complaint, Tyler Rd.  
1425 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd. / Martz Rd.  
1429 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.  
1625 – parking complaint, Ruhan Dr.  
1643 – property damage accident, Belleville/Quirk  
1712 – property damage accident, Haggerty / E. Huron River Dr.  
1737 – threat, Brandi  
1747 – family trouble, W. Adams  
1812 – harassment call, Parkwood Dr.  
1816 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.  
1821 – harassment call, Kirkridge Park Dr.  
2049 – family trouble, Vernon St.  
2056 – trespassing, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
2119 – threat, Colony Ln.  
2200 – 911 welfare check, Denton Rd.  
2225 – suicidal person, Vernon St.  
**Tuesday, July 20:**  
0120 – noise complaint, Kirkridge Park Dr.  
0142 – suspicious person/vehicle, Ecorse Rd.  
0212 – K-9 call out, Beech Daly/7 Mile  
0239 – malicious destruction of property, E. Archwood Dr.  
0239 – larceny, N. I-94 Service Dr.  
0846 – road hazard, Belleville Rd.  
0943 – larceny from auto, N. I-94 Service Dr.  
1049 – animal complaint, Lake Pointe Blvd.  
1114 – harassment call, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1228 – motorist assist, Van Born/Belleville Rd.  
1322 – parking complaint, Parkwood  
1351 – assist other dept., Tyler Rd./Beck Rd.  
1508 – unauthorized driving away of auto, N. I-94 Service Dr.  
1551 – animal complaint, Belleville Rd.  
1622 – trespassing, Ecorse Rd.  
1622 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd. / Martz Rd.  
1653 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Haggerty Rd.  
1824 – suspicious person/vehicle, Assembly St.  
1844 – fraud, Ironwood Dr.  
1909 – family trouble, Brookside Dr.  
2037 – suicidal person, Denton Rd.  
2049 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / Savage Rd.  
2125 – animal complaint, W. Adams  
2212 – personal injury accident, Bemis/Sumpter  
2257 – assist other dept., E. Main St.  
2303 – domestic, Birch Dr.  
**Wednesday, July 21:**  
0255 – suspicious person/vehicle, boat launch  
0314 – suspicious person/vehicle, Capitol Dr.  
0514 – suspicious person/vehicle, Ecorse Rd.

0907 – suspicious person/vehicle, Lake Pointe Blvd.  
0912 – suspicious person/vehicle, DNR boat launch  
Rawsonville  
1045 – road hazard, Belleville Rd./Tyler Rd.  
1159 – harassment call, Belleville Rd.  
1209 – suspicious person/vehicle, Water’s Edge  
1304 – neighbor trouble, Hampton Dr.  
1337 – animal complaint, Parkwood  
1347 – road hazard, Ecorse/I-275  
1527 – animal complaint, Parkwood Dr.  
1555 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.  
1629 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Michigan Ave.  
1716 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd./N. I-94 Service Dr.  
1719 – trespassing, Harmony Ln.  
1812 – animal complaint, Moms Dr.  
2043 – dumping complain, Martinsville Rd./Hull  
2125 – harassment call, Holly Ln.  
2326 – harassment call, Mott  
**Thursday, July 22:**  
0342 – suspicious person/vehicle, Lighthouse Dr.  
0501 – 911 welfare check, Fisher Rd.  
0943 – malicious destruction of property, Bog Rd.  
0944 – parking complaint, Andover Dr./Tyler Rd.  
0943 – fraud, Maple Dr.  
1057 – found property/child, Belleville Rd.  
1058 – traffic offense, Belleville Rd./Tyler Rd.  
1112 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.  
1115 – suspicious person/vehicle, N. Bellridge Dr.  
1121 – animal complaint, Mom’s Dr.  
1140 – malicious destruction of property, E. Archwood Dr.  
1140 – suspicious person/vehicle, Green Meadows  
1148 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.  
1229 – found property/child, Michigan Ave. / Denton Rd.  
1244 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / E. Huron River Dr.  
1337 – larceny, Belleville Rd.  
1352 – assist other dept., Sumpter Rd.  
1425 – larceny, S. Ponderosa Trl.  
1605 – motorist assist, Belleville Rd./Tyler Rd.  
1601 – family trouble, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1649 – malicious destruction of property, Samuel Barton Dr.  
1709 – noise complaint, Parkwood Dr.  
1731 – domestic, McKinley St.  
1758 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1851 – larceny from auto, Beck Rd.  
1951 – suspicious person/vehicle, N. I-94 Service  
2211 – larceny from auto, Haggerty Rd.  
2246 – 911 welfare check, Birch Dr.  
**Friday, July 23:**  
0117 – disorderly, McBride Ave.  
0225 – suspicious person/vehicle, Oak In.  
0501 – suspicious person/vehicle, Linda Vista Ct.  
0849 – malicious destruction of property, Beck Rd.  
1001 – private property impound, Industrial  
1016 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd. / Grove Rd.  
1030 – larceny from auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1104 – trespassing, Belleville Rd.  
1210 – weapons violation, N. I-94 Service Dr.  
1244 – threat, W. I-94/Belleville Rd.  
1300 – assist other dept., Mott  
1335 – larceny from auto, N. I-94 Service Dr.  
1406 – road hazard, N. I-94 Service Dr./Haggerty  
1419 – noise complaint, Denton Rd.  
1457 – fleeing & eluding, Belleville Rd./Tyler  
1716 – suspicious person/vehicle, Beck/Tyler  
1829 – suspicious person/vehicle, S. I-94 Service  
1918 – domestic, E. Archwood Dr.  
1925 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville/Tyler  
2139 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / Coolidge St.  
**Saturday, July 24:**  
0921 – assault & battery, N. I-94 Service Dr.  
1251 – assist other dept., Carmell  
1315 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.  
1334 – animal complaint, Ecorse Rd./Beck Rd.  
1338 – assist other dept., Owen  
1349 – harassment call, Brandi Dr.  
1538 – animal complaint, Woodbury Dr.  
1543 – suicidal person, N. I-94 Service Dr.  
1640 – hospice death, Purple Sage Ct.  
2107 – suicidal person, Brandi Dr.  
2159 – follow up by officer, N. I-94 Service Dr.  
2345 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd.  
Also on this week’s log are 42 traffic stops, four of which were on the I-94 freeway.

Belleville Police  
Dispatch Log

**Sunday, July 18:**  
0020 – traffic stop, Church St./W. Columbia Ave.  
0141 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.  
0309 – traffic stop, Fifth St./Main St.  
0826 – domestic, Main St.  
0934 – traffic stop, Main St./High St.  
1104 – traffic stop, South St./E. Wabash Ave.  
1115 – traffic stop, E. Davis St./South St.  
1122 – traffic stop, South St.  
1227 – traffic stop, Main St.  
1352 – parking complaint, Main St.  
1422 – civil matter, Carmell St.  
1439 – fight, S. Edgemont Ave.  
1542 – traffic stop, Main St.  
1732 – traffic stop, Wexford Ave./Potter Dr.  
1742 – traffic stop, E. Huron River Dr.  
1750 – traffic stop, N. Biggs/E. Huron River Dr.  
1759 – traffic stop, N. Biggs Ave.  
1804 – traffic stop, E. Huron River Dr.  
1827 – traffic stop, E. Huron River Dr.  
1837 – traffic stop, N. Edgemont/E. Huron River  
2024 – trespassing, Potter Dr.  
2121 – traffic stop, E. Columbia Ave./Madelon  
2248 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave./Church St.  
**Monday, July 19:**  
0241 – assist other dept., Oak  
0551 – traffic stop, Main St./N. Liberty St.  
0913 – suspicious person/vehicle, Main St.  
1329 – welfare check, Carmell  
1823 – suspicious person/vehicle, Menlo Park  
2001 – traffic stop, High St.  
2034 – traffic stop, Church St./Roys St.  
2124 – traffic stop, E. Huron River Dr./Wexford  
2240 – traffic stop, Main St./Fifth St.  
2308 – traffic stop, Main St./High St.  
**Tuesday, July 20:**  
0825 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave./Sumpter  
1431 – traffic stop, E. Columbia Ave.  
1449 – traffic stop, Main St./High St.  
1517 – traffic stop, High St./Church St.  
1607 – threat, E. Thornhill Ct.  
1737 – traffic stop, Main St.  
1920 – traffic stop, E. Huron River/Angola  
2115 – traffic stop, South St./E. Wabash Ave.  
2134 – traffic stop, Main St.  
2253 – suspicious person/vehicle, Main St.  
**Wednesday, July 21:**  
0338 – assist other dept., Menlo Park Dr.  
0619 – traffic stop, E. Huron River Dr./Biggs  
0918 – follow up by officer, Rawsonville Rd.  
1000 – follow up by officer, Tyler Rd.  
1135 – parking complaint, Roland/Madelon  
1147 – traffic stop, E. Columbia Ave.  
1330 – suspicious person/vehicle, Carmell  
1526 – traffic stop, Main St./Third St.  
1558 – malicious destruction of property, E. Columbia Ave./Madelon St.  
1727 – trespassing, W. Columbia Ave.  
1955 – traffic stop, Main St.  
2030 – traffic stop, Sumpter Rd./Belle Villa Blvd.  
2330 – traffic stop, Main St./High St.  
2348 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave./Church St.  
**Thursday, July 22:**  
1350 – domestic, Sumpter Rd.  
1416 – welfare check, San Carlos/Menlo Park  
1523 – traffic offense, E. Huron River/N. Liberty  
1646 – fraud, Santa Clara St.  
1825 – traffic stop, E. Huron River Dr.  
1953 – 911 welfare check, Roys St./High St.  
2135 – traffic stop, Fifth St./Main St.  
2253 – welfare check, Belle Villa Blvd.  
2310 – animal complaint, Carmell St.  
2347 – intrusion alarm, E. Huron River Dr.  
**Friday, July 23:**  
0438 – traffic stop, Second St./Main St.  
0959 – ordinance violation, Main St.  
1125 – property damage accident, Church St.  
1714 – assist fire dept., South St.  
1951 – traffic stop, Sumpter/Industrial Park Dr.  
1953 – fraud, Main St.  
2136 – traffic stop, High St./Main St.  
2148 – traffic stop, Main St./Fifth St.  
2207 – traffic stop, Victorian Ln./Savage Rd.  
2220 – domestic, Belle Villa Blvd.  
**Saturday, July 24:**  
0231 – suspicious person/vehicle, High St.  
1038 – larceny, San Carlos St.  
1137 – suspicious person/vehicle, Carmell

1245 – juvenile complaint, Carmell St.  
1333 – intrusion alarm, Owen St.  
1430 – assist fire dept., Carmell St.  
1440 – property damage accident, Charles St.  
1845 – suspicious person/vehicle, Carmell  
2034 – disorderly, N. Aberdeen Ct.  
There were 43 traffic stops on this week’s log.  
**Sumpter Township  
Police Dispatch Log**  
**Sunday, July 18:**  
0015 – 911 hang up, 20000 bl. Karr Rd.  
0123 – reckless driver, Martinsville Rd./Willis Ct.  
0944 – follow-up investigation, out of township  
1026 – alarm, 4900 bl. Oakville Waltz Rd.  
1305 – assist other agency, Lohr Rd./Bemis Rd.  
1400 – follow-up investigation, out of township  
1406 – misc. traffic complaint/hazard, 22000 bl. Karr Rd.  
1502 – death investigation, 43000 bl. Willow Rd.  
1602 – fire dept. assist, 13000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.  
1737 – suspicious circumstances, Brookview Dr.  
1931 – suspicious circumstances, Timberlane Dr.  
2044 – mental health call, 44000 bl. Wear Rd.  
2215 – fire dept. assist, 18000 bl. Savage Rd.  
**Monday, July 19:**  
0639 – animal complaint, 47000 bl. Willis Rd.  
0757 – fire dept. assist, Edgewood Dr.  
1005 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1041 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1050 – larceny, Tulip Dr./Tamarack Dr.  
1220 – suspicious circumstances, Rustic Ln.  
1520 – assault, Wyoming St.  
1608 – fire dept. assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1713 – follow-up investigation, Wyoming St.  
1912 – suspicious circumstances, Redwood St.  
2011 – misc. traffic complaint/hazard, Willow Rd. / Sumpter Rd.  
2144 – animal complaint, 5500 Oakville Waltz Rd.  
**Tuesday, July 20:**  
0806 – alarm, 43000 bl. Clay Rd.  
0901 – animal complaint, Willis Rd./Rawsonville  
1124 – 911 hang up, 19000 bl. Haggerty Rd.  
1244 – 911 hang up, 8200 bl. Rawsonville Rd.  
1314 – animal complaint, 47000 bl. Willis Rd.  
1314 – 911 hang up, 22000 bl. Sherwood Rd.  
1555 – neighbor dispute, 46000 bl. Willis Rd.  
1610 – follow-up investigation, Willis Rd. / Martinsville Rd.  
1701 – 911 hang up, 25000 bl. Karr Rd.  
1733 – suspicious circumstances, 46000 bl. Dunn  
1737 – fire dept. assist, 79000 bl. Arkona Rd.  
1908 – fire dept. assist, 45000 bl. Clay Rd.  
2053 – property damage accident, Sumpter/Willis  
2058 – suspicious circumstances, Creekside Dr.  
2211 – assist other agency, Sumpter Rd./Bemis  
2359 – fire dept. assist, 21000 bl. Sherwood Rd.  
**Wednesday, July 21:**  
0706 – alarm, 22000 bl. Carleton West Rd.  
1200 – warrant arrest, 45000 bl. Arkona Rd.  
1238 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1421 – animal complaint, 42000 bl. Bemis Rd.  
1607 – suspicious person, Willis Rd./Elwell Rd.  
1610 – follow-up investigation, out of township  
1656 – animal complaint, 19000 bl. Haggerty Rd.  
1721 – fire dept. assist, 25000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1724 – fire dept. assist, 45000 bl. Clay Rd.  
1813 – assist other agency, 13000 bl. Rawsonville  
1849 – civil dispute, 10000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.  
1937 – 911 hang up, 45000 bl. Willis Rd.  
2142 – alarm, 22000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
2320 – suspicious vehicle, Creekside Dr.  
**Thursday, July 22:**  
0129 – suspicious vehicle, Sumpter Rd./Dunn Rd.  
1109 – civil dispute, Redwood St.  
1230 – citizen assist, 10000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.  
1450 – 911 hang up, Rustic Ln.  
1523 – animal complaint, 19000 bl. Sherwood Rd.  
1758 – death investigation, Delaware St.  
1803 – suspicious vehicle, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
2040 – suspicious person, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
2114 – 911 hang up, 24000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
**Friday, July 23:**  
0215 – follow-up investigation, Delaware St.  
1037 – welfare check, 42000 bl. Judd Rd.  
1039 – civil dispute, 10000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.  
1236 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1247 – suspicious person, 39000 bl. Judd Rd.  
1534 – misc. traffic complaint/hazard, 50000 bl. (Continued on page 19)



## Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

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Judd Rd.

1623 – civil dispute, 46000 bl. Arkona Rd.  
1919 – alarm, 21000 bl. Martinsville Rd.  
2101 – drug possession arrest, Lohr Rd./Bemis Rd.  
2202 – suspicious vehicle, 50000 bl. Judd Rd.  
2309 – 911 hang up, Washington St.

**Saturday, July 24:**

0147 – fire dept. assist, Creekside Dr.

0229 – fire dept. assist, 21000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
0840 – alarm, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1840 – fire dept. assist, Carriage Ln.  
1911 – animal complaint, 50000 bl. Judd Rd.  
2006 – warrant arrest, Sherwood Rd./Judd Rd.  
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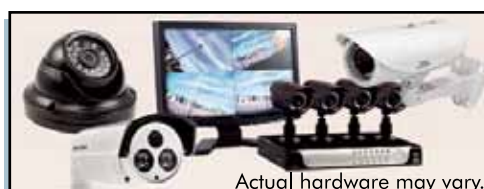
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• **Thursday, July 29** – Twistin' Tarantulas is featured at the 7 p.m. free Music Lakeside concert at Horizon Park in Belleville. Reg Ion of the Belleville Council for the Arts will display his art.

• **Friday, July 30** – Free Soccer Clinic for kids of all ages and skills, from 1 to 2 p.m. at Rawsonville Woods, 10825 Rawsonville Woods. Info: (734) 461-9881. Free Grab and Go Meals also are provided to the kids next to the pool at the park clubhouse.

• **Friday, July 30** – Car show every Friday, 5-8 p.m., at Armstrong's Funland,

Belleville Road, north of Tyler.

• **Friday, July 30** – Free drive-in movie with free popcorn and lemonade at sunset at Church of God on Hull Road, just east of the Van Buren Township Fire Station. Today the movie is "Treasure Lies" and sunset is at 8:55 p.m. In the event of rain, show will go on at 8 p.m. at Bethany Bible Church, 810 E. Huron River Dr.

• **Friday, July 30** – "Finding Nemo," the free outdoor movie in Van Buren Park that was postponed from a rainy Belleville Lake Fest night, will begin at 9:30 p.m. "Doors" to the park will open at 8 p.m. Food trucks expected to be on hand.

• **Sunday Aug. 1** – State Rep. Ranjeet Puri invites youth aged 12-18 to a youth-led Unity in the Community event from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Heritage Park Amphitheater in Canton. The 21<sup>st</sup> District's Student Advisory Group is working with Boys & Girls Clubs of Southeastern Michigan on the event, which will feature instructor-led yoga and working with a graphic artist on a mural that will be displayed somewhere in the community after the event. Preregister at <https://bit.ly/SAG-unity>.

• **Monday, Aug. 2** – Belleville Farmers' Market, 4-7:30 p.m., Fourth Street Place. Also, Classic Car Show on Main Street, 6-9 p.m.

• **Monday, Aug. 2 through Saturday, Aug. 7** – Wayne County Fair Week at the Wayne County Fairgrounds on Quirk Road in Van Buren Township.

• **Tuesday, Aug. 3** – Pet First Aid, 6 p.m., virtual presentation by Robyn Elman and Paul Steil. Registration required. <https://belleville.evanced.info/signup>. Sponsored by Belleville Area District Library.

• **Wednesday, Aug. 4** – Live music from Paxton/Spangler Band on Fourth Street Square and food trucks in Fourth Street Place, in front of the library, in downtown Belleville. Fourth Street closed 5-9 p.m. Food trucks scheduled are Smokey Joes BBQ, Shimmy Shack, Sabor Latino, and Treat Dreams ice cream.

• **Wednesday, Aug. 4** – The Beatles Forever will be presented free at 7 p.m. concert at Wayne County Community College's campus at 9555 Haggerty Rd., Van Buren Township.

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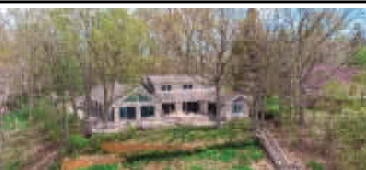
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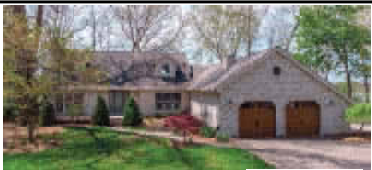
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